

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1372A
Norikazu SUGAYA et al. : **Confirmation No. 1096**
Serial No. 10/590,503 : Group Art Unit 1792
Filed August 24, 2006 : Examiner William P. Fletcher
METHOD OF PREVENTING ELUTION OF : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**
NICKEL FROM WETTED INSTRUMENT
OF COPPER ALLOY, PROTECTIVE FILM
FORMATION AGENT FOR PREVENTING
ELUTION OF NICKEL AND DETERGENT
FOR PREVENTING ELUTION OF NICKEL

REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 10, 2010, it is hereby stated that the substitute specification filed on June 3, 2010 contains no new matter.

This statement appears on page 2 of the Amendment dated June 3, 2010.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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